- (3) When the clerk of the District Court forwards a notice of lien under paragraph (2) of this subsection to a circuit court, the clerk of the circuit court shall record and index the notice of lien as prescribed by the Maryland Rules.
- (4) An order of restitution that is issued by the District Court and is recorded and indexed as a money judgment as permitted by paragraph (1) of this subsection shall constitute a lien in the amount of the judgment of the defendant's interest in land in a county from the date that a notice of lien is recorded and indexed in the circuit court of that county.
- (5) If the District Court issues an order of restitution under this section, the clerk of the District Court shall forward a written notice to the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom a defendant has been ordered to pay restitution that states:
- (i) The order of restitution does not constitute a money judgment until it is recorded and indexed in the civil judgment records in the District Court;
- (ii) The order of restitution shall be recorded and indexed as a money judgment in the District Court and a notice of lien shall be forwarded to the circuit court of that county by the clerk of the District Court on the receipt of a written statement from the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor that requests the order of restitution be recorded and indexed as a money judgment;
- (iii) A notice of lien shall be forwarded by the clerk of the District Court to any other circuit court on the receipt of a written statement from the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor that requests the notice of lien be forwarded to a specific circuit court; and
- (iv) There shall be no fee for recording and indexing the order of restitution as a money judgment in the District Court or for recording and indexing a notice of lien in the circuit court of that county.
- (j) A court may not assess any costs on an individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom a defendant has been ordered to pay restitution:
- (1) For recording and indexing an order of restitution as a money judgment in the court in which the order of restitution was issued; or
- (2) For recording and indexing a notice of lien forwarded by the District Court to a circuit court.
- (k) (1) Subject to the Maryland Rules, unless complete restitution is paid by a defendant, termination of an order of restitution or probation by a court does not affect a money judgment that has been recorded and indexed under this section.
- (2) If a District Court decides to terminate an order of restitution that has not been recorded and indexed as a money judgment under subsection (i) of this section or to terminate a probation before an order of restitution has been recorded and indexed as a money judgment under subsection (i) of this section, the court shall direct the clerk of the court to: